

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:219
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Funds for Shiksha Abhiyans
Sahu Shri Chandu Lal

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of funds allocated and spent/unutilized by the State Government in implementing the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan and strengthening Teachers Training Institutes respectively during the last three years, State/UT-wise and year-wise;
- (b) the number of States which have not submitted utilization certificates pertaining to the above mentioned programmes for more than four months; and
- (c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to improve efficient and better utilisation of funds by the States/UTs on the said programme?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 219 TO BE ANSWERED ON 9th MAY, 2016 ASKED BY SHRI CHANDU LAL SAHU REGARDING FUNDS FOR SHIKSHA ABHIYANS

(a): State/UT-wise and year-wise details of funds allocated and released to the State Governments and UT Administrations and amount spent in implementing the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) and Teacher Education (TE) are at Annexures IA, IB and IC respectively.

(b): Utilisation Certificates (UCs) pertaining to SSA scheme have been received from all States and UTs, except Telangana, for the releases made upto the year 2014-15. A total of 18 States/UTs under RMSA and 24 States/UTs under TE have not submitted their UCs for the releases made up to 2014-15, details of which are given at Annexure IIA and II-B respectively. UCs for the releases during the year 2015-16 have not become due yet.

(c): Allocation of outlays of the States under SSA, RMSA and TE are made on the basis of the approved Annual Work Plan and Budgets (AWP&Bs) prepared by States based on their requirements. Funds are released to States/UTs as per the approved AWP&B for each year in two or more installments, depending on the State/UTs opening balance, release of commensurate State Share, pace of expenditure, submission of audit reports and other such criteria laid down in the respective scheme.

SSA has a fairly intensive Financial Management System, which includes annual audit by Chartered Accountants empanelled with the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) of India, concurrent financial review by the Institute of Public Auditors of India (IPAI) as well as a system of internal audit. SSA conducts Quarterly Review Meetings with Finance Controllers of all States/UTs for monitoring the optimum utilisation of funds.

For effective implementation of RMSA, besides regular monitoring of physical and financial progress of approved interventions through monthly reports, periodic review meetings, scrutiny of audit reports etc, capacity building of States/UTs is taken up through orientation workshops etc.

Under TE, for better utilization of Central assistance released to the States/UTs, all States/UTs have been requested to submit UCs in time.

As a part of the monitoring mechanism, Joint Review Missions comprising, inter alia, independent experts cover all States by rotation and review implementation of these Centrally sponsored schemes.
